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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Question before the body is, shall we recess? Those in favor say aye. Those opposed say nay. We're recessed.

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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN PRESIDING

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Good afternoon and welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Senators, would you please check in. Roll call. Record.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Any items?

CLERK: Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports they've examined and reviewed LB 75 and recommend that same be placed on Select File. Your Committee on Education reports LB 621 to General File with committee amendments attached, that report signed by Senator Raikes. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal page 1454.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We resume debate on LB 462. We're debating the Chambers amendment to the Chambers amendment. Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President and members. As I'm gathering my notes here, I had my light on just before lunch and I was going to discuss a couple of things that were brought up by Senator Suttle. Obviously, being in support of LB 462, but before I talk about the comments made by Senator Suttle, I'd like to kind of get us on an even playing field based on what the university has described as life, their definition. It says human development begins at fertilization, the process during which the male gamete unites with a female gamete to form a single cell called a zygote. This is a highly specialized